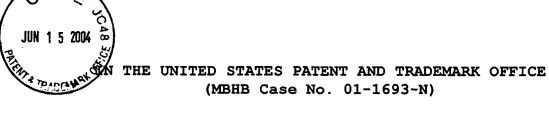
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RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY MAILED MARCH 15, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 6150 Alexandria, VA 22313-6150

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b), Applicants are submitting this Response to Interview Summary Mailed March 15, 2004.

On March 12, 2004, Examiner Kumar initiated a telephonic interview with the undersigned. No exhibits were shown, nor were any demonstrations conducted. Claim 144 (now claim number 22) was discussed during the interview. The Examiner suggested amending claim 144 (via Examiner's amendment) by deleting "formula XV

where R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_N , R_A , R_B , and X are as defined in" from the claim. Applicants agreed to the examiner's amendment. No specific prior art was discussed.

CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner believe a discussion of this matter would be helpful, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at (312) 913-2114.

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